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Special edition



2015

Michigan Department of Corrections

Employee Appreciation Banquet
Award Nominees

Corrections Officer of the Year

Finalists



Richard Cook

Richard Cook is an 8-year veteran of the department who started his career as a Corrections Officer at Hiawatha Correctional Facility. He has served as Food Service Bid Officer at Chippewa Correctional Facility since 2010.

He assists food service staff as much as possible, in addition to encouraging teamwork amongst prisoner workers.

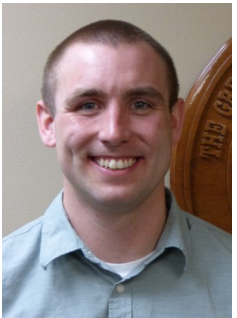
Officer Cook is an excellent role model for new officers and is cool, calm and collected when faced with adversity. He maintains a positive attitude, has shown support for his colleagues in times of need, and is a team player, who can perform anything asked of him. He has served as acting chaplain and has volunteered as the principal of a Christian school for the last 8 years.



Timothy Hardville

Timothy Hardville is a 14-year veteran of the department who started his career as a Corrections Officer at Mound Correctional Facility. He has served as an Investigator with the Absconder Recovery Unit since 2012. He is a natural leader among his peers and volunteers to work on additional warrant sweeps, often working longer than his scheduled shift to track down parole absconders. He has excellent communication skills, and works hard to gain the cooperation of absconders' friends and family in locating their whereabouts.

He has solved long-term absconder cases and works with outside agencies in a safe and efficient manner. Hardville also is a volunteer with Big Brothers/Big Sisters and serves as a mentor to at-risk youth in his community.



Rand Litzner

Rand Litzner is a 5-year veteran of the department who started his career as a Corrections Officer at Newberry Correctional Facility. He has served as a Corrections Officer at Kinross Correctional Facility since 2011.

He is always professional and attentive, and puts the team ahead of himself. He leads through example and is very security conscious, often offering suggestions on how to improve the control of contraband and weapons inside the facility. He has been assigned to several Emergency Response Team deployments to stop the introduction of contraband into the facility, and he assists with instructing the ERT Building Clearing/Search and Recovering and Active Shooter programs. Officer Litzner also volunteers with the Mackinac County Animal Shelter and helps the city of St. Ignace with beautification efforts.



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Scott Nadeau

Scott Nadeau is an 18-year veteran of the department who started his career as a Corrections Officer at Alger Correctional Facility. He has served as a Corrections Officer at Marquette Branch Prison since 2002, and has also served as a Resident Unit Officer at Alger Correctional Facility and Marquette Branch Prison.

He helped provide input and direction in the development of Marquette Branch Prison's Interim Care Program for prisoners with major mental disorders, and his experience and dedication helped the program succeed. He is an excellent role model and is seen by his peers as a dedicated leader who is quick to assist staff. He has also intervened in numerous medical emergencies to help save prisoners from serious physical injury and death. Officer Nadeau and his wife volunteer with the local Alzheimer Patient Program at Messiah Lutheran Church and are active with assisting Special Olympics programs.



Derek Pruitt

Derek Pruitt is an 18-year veteran of the department who started his career as a Corrections Officer at Thumb Correctional Facility. He has served as a Corrections Officer at Saginaw Correctional Facility since 2000.

He maintains a calm demeanor and is excellent at deescalating prisoner behavior and obtaining inmate cooperation. He is highly respected by both his colleagues and prisoners. He also helped develop an alternative level IV housing unit and a procedure for feeding dangerous inmates in a housing unit while being held during investigations. Officer Pruitt has volunteered to teach parenting classes as an "Inside Out Dads" instructor and is an active member of Mt. Olive Baptist Church, where he helps lead the church children's group.

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Scott Adamczak	Corrections Officer, Oaks Correctional Facility
Vernice Anderson	Corrections Officer, G. Robert Cotton Correctional Facility
Minnie Aubrey	Corrections Officer, Women's Huron Valley Correctional Facility
Todd Barker	Corrections Officer, Muskegon Correctional Facility
Shontel Barnes	Corporal, Special Alternative Incarceration—Women
Julie Bridgewater	Corrections Officer, Cooper Street Correctional Facility
David Bryson	Corrections Officer, Thumb Correctional Facility

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Marcus Collins	Corrections Officer, Detroit Detention Center
Gail Crittenden	Corrections Officer, Parnall Correctional Facility
Patrick Dabb	Corrections Officer, Ojibway Correctional Facility
Todd Duncan	Corrections Officer, Detroit Reentry Center
Daren Ferden	Corrections Officer, Corrections Transportation
Kevin Fleming	Corrections Officer, Pugsley Correctional Facility
Donnise Gooden	Corrections Officer, West Shoreline Correctional Facility
David Gregoire	Corrections Officer, Earnest C. Brooks Correctional Facility
Mark Heibeck	Corrections Officer, St. Louis Correctional Facility
Neil Hendrickson	Corrections Officer, Bellamy Creek Correctional Facility
Adam Hollingsworth	Corrections Officer, Lakeland Correctional Facility
Donald Jones	Corrections Officer, Woodland Center Correctional Facility
Melissa King	Corrections Officer, Newberry Correctional Facility
Creig Kinnunen	Corrections Officer, Central Michigan Correctional Facility
Brian Mattila	Corrections Officer, Baraga Correctional Facility
Steven McDonnald	Corrections Officer, Alger Correctional Facility
David Osborne	Corrections Officer, Carson City Correctional Facility
David Pasche	Corrections Officer, Richard A. Handlon Correctional Facility
Sandra Robinson	Corrections Officer, Macomb Correctional Facility
Susan Schlosstein	Corrections Officer, Michigan Reformatory
Kent Smock	Corrections Officer, Charles E. Egeler Reception and Guidance Center
James Taylor	Corrections Officer, Gus Harrison Correctional Facility
Tamika Whaley	Corporal, Special Alternative Incarceration—Men
Elizabeth Williams	Corrections Officer, Lake County Residential Reentry Program
Adam Yuhas	Corrections Officer, Ionia Correctional Facility

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**Congratulations to all of our
Corrections Officer of the Year
finalists and nominees!**



Professional Excellence Award

Jared Ayres Prison Build Supervisor, Saginaw Correctional Facility
Jordan Becklin Embedded Agent, Kent County Probation Office
Christopher Crysler..... Program Development Manager, Reentry Administration
Janell Freeman Parole Agent, Kent County Parole Office
Donald Martin Supervisor, Kalamazoo County Parole/Probation Office
Noah Nagy Manager, Parole Violation/Supervision and Discharge Unit
Tracey Raquepaw..... Reentry Facility Coordinator, Saginaw Correctional Facility
Ann Marie Schaefer Probation/Parole Agent, Van Buren County Probation/Parole Office
Marti Kay Sherry Planning Manager, Bureau of Health Care Services
Paul J. Slagter, II Administrative Assistant, Correctional Facilities Administration
Anthony Stewart Warden, Women's Huron Valley Correctional Facility
Anita Talcott..... Projections Manager, Budget and Projections Division
Joslyn Wilkerson..... Probation Agent, Lahser District Probation Office
Thomas Zahon Supervisor, Greenfield District Probation Office

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Effective Process Improvement and Communication

Lynnette Kaufman Program Manager, Kent County Probation

Corrections Manager

Julie Hamp Procurement Manager, Central Office Finance
Gregory Roach Manager, Electronic Monitoring Center
Cheryl Wilcox Administrative Assistant, Assistant Deputy Director's Office—Jackson
Sheila Wilkinson Mental Health Services Manager, Newberry Correctional Facility

Teacher of the Year

Douglas Fitch Academic Instructor, Parnall Correctional Facility
Gregory Hauck Vocational Instructor, Richard A. Handlon Correctional Facility

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Health Care Employee

Amy Klein Clinical Social Worker, Kinross Correctional Facility
Natalie Souder Registered Nurse, St. Louis Correctional Facility

Administrative Support

Yvonne Long Secretary, Correctional Facilities Administration
Elizabeth Redding Accounting Technician, Fiscal Management—Contracts
Lisa Rivera Health Care Secretary, Saginaw Correctional Facility
Michelle Smith Secretary, Ogemaw County Probation/Parole Office

Probation/Parole Agent

Kellie Doerr Parole Agent, Ingham County Parole Office
Kelley Gorham Probation/Parole Agent, Van Buren County Probation/Parole Office
Tamela Lail-Monday Parole Agent, Detroit Metro Parole Office
Marcus A. Robinson, Jr. Embedded Agent, Eastern District Probation Office



Congratulations to all of our award nominees!



Awards will be presented at 6:30 p.m. May 6
at The Huntington Club at Michigan State University

Don't forget: DTMB needs your input too



The Department of Technology, Management and Budget launched its first Customer Satisfaction Survey on April 20, and wants to hear your thoughts on DTMB and the services you receive.

Your feedback is essential to helping DTMB identify areas for improvement to provide the best possible services to you.

The survey runs through May 4 and is being administered by PricewaterhouseCoopers. It takes approximately 15 minutes to complete and responses are completely anonymous.

To take the survey, click on the link in your emailed survey invitation. If you have questions about the survey, contact Kelli Martin at martink18@michigan.gov.